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BY HAND

Department of Telecommunications and Energy
One South Station, Second Floor
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Attention: Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary

RE: D.T.E. Docket No. 06-70

Dear Secretary Cottrell:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced matter is the Massachusetts Turnpike Authority's Motion for Rescheduled Filing Deadline.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of this filing by date-stamping the enclosed copy of this letter and returning to my awaiting messenger. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me. Thank you for your assistance.

Very truly yours,



Johanna W. Schneider

Enclosures

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In Re: Investigation by the Department
of Telecommunications and Energy
on Its Own Motion Pursuant to Chapter 123
of the Acts of 2006, § 115, to Establish the
Maximum Rates and Fees to be Charged by
the Massachusetts Turnpike Authority to
Wireless Providers for the Placement and
Use of Wireless Attachments in the Central
Artery Tunnels

In accordance with 220 CMR 1.02(5) and 1.04(5), the Massachusetts Turnpike Authority (the “MTA”) hereby moves the Department of Telecommunications and Energy (the “Department”) to continue the filing deadline set forth in that certain Vote and Order to Open Investigation dated August 11, 2006 in connection with the above-captioned matter (the “Vote and Order”). As grounds for this Motion, the MTA states as follows:

1. Pursuant to Chapter 123 of the Acts of 2006, § 115, the Department on August 11, 2006 voted to hold a public hearing or hearings to establish the maximum rates and fees to be charged by the MTA to wireless providers (the "Providers") for the placement and use of wireless attachments in the Central Artery tunnels. See Vote and Order.
2. In the Vote and Order, the Department scheduled its initial hearing on the investigation for August 30, 2006, at 10:00 a.m.

3. The Vote and Order further requires the MTA to file with the Department and the Providers a comprehensive proposal (the "Proposal") for establishing rates and fees to be charged for wireless attachments in the Central Artery tunnels, by not later than September 1, 2006. See Vote and Order, Section III.

4. The preparation of the Proposal is a highly technical and time-intensive undertaking.

5. The MTA has undergone major changes in senior management since August 15, 2006. Senior management of the MTA are currently involved in significant transition issues and being briefed on a large number of complex matters. Senior management is also highly focused on addressing the recent Central Artery/Tunnel accident and remedying defects in the tunnel system.

6. Per the Vote and Order, on August 25, 2006 and August 29, 2006, the MTA forwarded the Vote and Order to all Providers with whom the MTA had been in contact regarding the placement and use of wireless attachments in the Central Artery tunnels, and the MTA is otherwise making diligent efforts to comply with the requirements of the Vote and Order.

7. Due to the complexity of the information required, the MTA estimates that it will take until approximately September 20, 2006 to prepare the Proposal.

8. The interests of the Commonwealth, the Providers, and wireless telecommunications customers will be best served by providing the MTA sufficient time to prepare the Proposal.

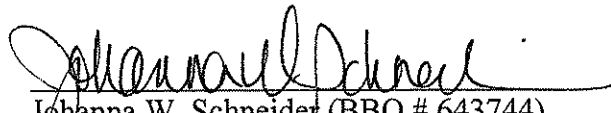
9. No party will be prejudiced by continuing the deadline for filing the Proposal.

WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons, the MTA respectfully requests that the Department continue the deadline for filing the Proposal until at least September 20, 2006.

Respectfully submitted,

THE MASSACHUSETTS TURNPIKE AUTHORITY

By its attorney,

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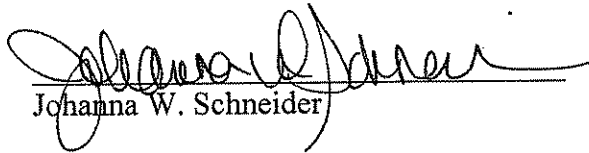
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Dated: August 29, 2006

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Counsel for the MTA hereby certifies that a true copy of the above document was delivered by first class mail on the following parties, on August 29, 2006:

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